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Entry of this preliminary amendment prior to consideration of the patentability of the claims is hereby requested.


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18. (Amended) A tissue implant device as defined in claim 7 wherein the flexible body comprises [and] a helical spring and the tail is formed by a [more broadly wrapped] coil wrapped more broadly than the diameter of the coils that comprise the body of the spring, positioned adjacent to the proximal portion of the body and forming an arm that extends laterally from the longitudinal axis of the device [in the diameter of coils that comprise the body of the spring].

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